

**City of Manistee
Parks and Beautification Commission
Minutes
Thursday, April 17, 2014
5:00 P.M**

Members Present: Mark Tomaszewski, Roger Zielinski, Lynn Vasquez, Erin Pontiac, Ed Tegler, Darci Scott

Unexcused: None

Also Present: None

A regular meeting of the Manistee Parks and Beautification Commission was held on Thursday, April 17, 2014 at City Hall 2nd floor conference room. Meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Lynn Vasquez at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes – Motion by Tegler, **second** by Scott to accept March 20, 2014 minutes and place on file. **Motion** approved.

Old Business:

Adopt a Park – At the City Council meeting on April 15, 2014 the Adopt a Park Program was accepted by all council members.

The Commission would like to help the Parks Department in any way they can as long as it stays within the guidelines and procedures of the Commission. We would also like an update from Mikula of the program.

Morton Park – Zielinski mentioned wanting tables at the park and Scott wanted to ask the Red School House Day Care if they had any ideas of what they want to see have happen with the park. Vasquez mentioned for the next meeting to come with ideas for the park.

Round About on 1st Street – Vasquez called Chamber of Commerce and the board gave up the funding. There are no plans of right now going forward for this project.

Ordinance Chapter 289, Sec. 09 update - Vasquez read emails that were sent back and forward between the city manager, Mr. Deisch, the city manager's executive assistant, Cindy Lokovich explaining a motion needs to be made from the Parks commission to have the section removed. General Discussion: Commission would like to elect who we want as chair.

Motion by Tegler, **second** by Scott to have Ordinance Chapter 289, Section 02 be removed (the following):

- (a) The Chair of the Commission shall be a resident of the City of Manistee.

Motion: **Approved**

Vice and Chair Positions – **Motion** by Tegler, **second** by Scott to nominate Vasquez for Chair as of today until July of 2015.

Motion: **Approved**, Vasquez accepted.

Motion by Tegler, **second** by Scott to nominate Pontiac for Vice Chair as of today until July of 2015.

Motion: **Approved**, Pontiac accepted.

General Discussion: Vasquez would be the representative for the Parks Commission. Also if you are speaking for yourself, you need to state that for the record.

New Business:

5th Ave Beach – Zielinski had questions about the cash budget and wanted an update from council. Suggestions were made to put concrete slabs down with picnic area with Cabanas. Vasquez will send an email.

Park Tour – Would like to have the Park tour arranged for August 21st Parks Commission meeting. Commission needs to make plans with Mikula.

River Walk – Tomaszewski mentioned the east end of the river walk looks bad. Needs to be painted and there are holes in the ground. Zielinski will address this concern

Motion by Zielinski, **second** by Tegler to adjourn at 6:05 p.m.

Next meeting date – Thursday, May 15, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall – 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Pontiac